# **MAJOR NORFOLK PARKS**

#### **BARRAUD PARK**

Barraud Park is located off of Tidewater Drive on Vista Drive. The park's amenities include picnic shelters, a lighted softball field, playgrounds and parking. This site is also the home of Norfolk's Recreational Boxing Program.

#### LAFAYETTE PARK

Lafayette Park, one of Norfolk's oldest parks, is located at 35th and Granby Streets. It has two outdoor basketball courts, four tennis courts, picnic shelters, a boat ramp, a ballfield, a large playground area and scenic pathways. Lafayette Park is adjacent to the newly renovated Virginia Zoological Park and the ernie Morgan Environmental Action Center.

#### LAKEWOOD PARK

Lakewood Park is located in the center of Norfolk, between Granby Street and Tidewater Drive, at 1612 Willow Wood Drive. The park features nine tennis courts, two lighted ballfields, a playground, restrooms and off-street parking. Lakewood is also the headquarters for the athletics programming office and the dance/music program, which provides classes and programs throughout the year.

### **NORTHSIDE PARK**

Northside Park is located at the northern end of the city about two miles south of the Chesapeake Bay, at 8400 Tidewater Drive. Here you will find a year-round indoor pool with sun patio, two lighted softball diamonds, a playground, picnic shelters, walking paths, outdoor basketball, seven tennis courts, a wading pool and ongoing aquatic programs and classes. A tennis pro offers seasonal instruction and tournaments. Northside is also the site of the Imagination Island playground, the largest community-built playground in the state.

#### **OCEAN VIEW BEACH PARK**

The unique 6.5 acre park/beach, located at 300 W. Ocean View Avenue, is considered the jewel of Ocean View. The park has a large band shell for presentations and dancing, a beach with lifeguards in the summer, a boardwalk, beach handicap access ramp and lots of open green space.

#### TARRALLTON PARK

Located behind the Tarrallton Community Center at 2100 Tarrallton Drive, the park offers three family-size picnic shelters, a colorful play equipped area and tot lot, restrooms, lighted tennis courts, lighted basketball court, and three soccer fields. Vistors will also find a Little League complex, softball field, and the area's only in-line skating hockey rink. Tarrallton Park emcompasses 70 acres and is a great place for just walking and enjoying the outdoors.

## **TOWN POINT PARK**

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"...my family moved here almost two years ago and we are very impressed with the Norfolk Parks and Recreation Facilities. My three-year-old son frequents many of the parks. He has had his birthday party at Northside Park and has taken swimming lessons as well. On every occasion, we have had an excellent experience."

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